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like to add my name onto this resolution. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hefner. Is there anyone else who wishes to speak to the resolution? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Kristensen?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Just briefly, Madam President, members of the body. Senator Ron Cope's trademark was his constant smile, and I certainly think that his smile will be with this Legislature for a long time, at least in spirit. With that, again if anyone would like to sign onto the resolution, please contact the Clerk this morning. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. We will now vote on the motion to adopt LR 223. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of LR 223.

PRESIDENT MOUL: LR 223 is adopted. Proceed with Item 7, a motion.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Kristensen, as Chair of Transportation Committee, would move to suspend Rule 3, Section 13 so as to permit cancellation of hearing.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Madam President, members of the body, Allan Abbott has been nominated to be the Director of the Department of Roads for the State of Nebraska. His hearing, we wanted an early confirmation, was scheduled for next Tuesday. This past week he was traveling with his family or traveling himself, to move himself back here to begin his duties, he was going to begin this week, he was involved in a traffic accident. And he's fine, however, as a matter of courtesy, and certainly to give him time to collect himself and to get settled and begin his job, he probably won't be able to be here until Tuesday, at the earliest. That doesn't give him any time to prepare for the hearing or be settled. With that, we felt it was unfair to him, and we have tentatively rescheduled the hearing, pending what we do with this rule suspension at this time, for January 21 was the hearing date that was supposed to happen. We're going to schedule it for a later time, to give him time to prepare and